

Hunter Mountain Bike Association (HMBA)

MONTHLY MEETING

Date:	16/07/2018
Location:	Club Macquarie
Meeting Started at :	7.15 PM

Chairman – Clint Musgrove

Present: Steve Pryor, Andrew Hardy, Dean Kozlik, Coleen Kehoe, Rick Kehoe, Alesha Kehoe, Michael Clarke, John Richardson, John Phillipa, Dallas Barham, Alesha Reed, Paula Gresham, Rohan Betts, Jason English, Paul Monk, Nicki and Simon ♥ , Joel Allen.

1. Registration of Members:

The chairman confirmed that the numbers for a quorum had been reached.

2. Apologies:

Steve and Leanne Ardern, Mark Welsh, Josh Bridson, Tim Butler

3. Minutes of previous Meeting

Acceptance of previous meeting minutes proposed by John Phillipa and seconded by Coleen Kehoe, accepted by meeting.

4. Defibrillator training

Clint Musgrove and Dean Kozlic left the meeting to attend Defibrillator training – training was supplied as part of the Defibrillator purchase program provided generously by the NSW Department of Sport. There was much doubt and conjecture about Dean being able to be taught anything at his age.

5. Monthly racing reports

No Racing since last meeting (Dungog Postponed due to weather)

Downhill - Next race day will be at Awaba next Sunday, 22nd July 2018.

Cross Country - Next race day will be at Awaba on 22nd July 2018.

Hunter Schools XCO Championships are being convened at Glenrock SRA on September 21 2018 (HMBA Night Race afterwards)

5. Build days – Next build day is on 5th August. Jenkins Road Entry area - Bollards. Continue with Road Gap access.

Sneaky Build Days (for trail fairies) – Ring King Dallas – yes, we saw you Dallas and we know its you!! Suspicion is also on Rick.

All riders are welcome at build days (kids too) – besides shaping and maintaining the world class, unique trails, we eat sandwiches and tell jokes.

6. Financial Report

Bank Balance at 18/06//2018 - \$ 40,170.91. Balance at 16/07/2018 - \$34,360.18

Major Outgoings – Bobcat Hire and road base - \$3,850.00
Defibrillator - \$2,230.00

Major Income - Licenses \$550.00
Race income - \$1,000.00

7. Correspondence –

Peter Hallet sent a letter to Destination Port Stephens advising of the club's intention to build trails at Gan Gan and asking for their support.

8. Advocacy

Kurri Kurri.

Coleen Kehoe tabled minutes of “The Precinct” meeting after attended Cessnock ‘Round Table’ with Cessnock Police, Crown Lands, Kurri Mongrels and Local business owners. Discussion on development of MTB Park near the Kurri Go Kart Club. This will link up with the new Rail Trail. The initiative is designed to provide an MTB experience for locals – especially youth. Copy is attached.

Port Stephens.

Peter Hallet continuing advocacy for Port Stephens Trails – Peter is in contact with Port Stephens Council and Crown Lands Dept.

Schools.

Paula Gresham, Paul Monk and Jason English continue their involvement with coaching High school age kids at Glenrock. Also instrumental in organising the Hunter Schools XCO Championships (and heaps of other MTB related stuff!).

Wallaroo.

Michael Clarke continues advocacy for trails at Wallaroo.

Training and coaching

General shout out to Momentum is Your Friend, Newcastle Mountain Bikers, Johnno's Riding Adventures, Ride n Sweet for the great work you are doing for the Mountain Biking community. Awesome.

General business.

Lap counter – Maintaining an average of 500 laps per week during the last month.

Schools - Government Schools XC racing at Glenrock – 7th August 2018. Coleen, Paula organising / assisting.

Awaba Development – Grant application will be decided in August. Discussion on web based booking system and cost of same. Andrew Hardy to discuss further with Forestry to share the cost.

Grant for Sunshades. Andrew to provide John Phillipa with options for alternative structures.

Gan Gan MTB – Licence application for the use of Gan Gan Hill as an XC MTB Park has been submitted to Crown Lands.

Alternative Car Park – Dallas has ‘in principle’ approval from forestry to upgrade the area adjacent to the Jenkins Rd entry.

Schools Championships and Kids Coaching – Jason, Paula and Paul leading the coaching of future shredders at Glenrock starting first week of the school term – kicks off at 3.45pm each week.

Radios – Clint purchased 8 radios – to be used for marshalling.

Defibrillator – The club now has 10 trained ‘zappers’. Discussion on having the Zapper placed outside the container – Issue of bogans flogging it – Andrew to find out about Insurance and storage cabinet.

MTBA National Cup – New National competition based on clubs running events that offer national championship points – means riders don’t have to travel as much to be in the running for CHP points.

Discussion on what events should HMBA hold

M Clarke suggested every race meeting should be National Cup (Cost to HMBA is \$250 each race). We may have to adjust fees upward to cover the \$250 fee. Not decided.

Dallas suggested we host a national Tier 1 event – Discussion – resolved as follows:

HMBA to host 2 X National events in 2019, to be 6 months apart – one for DH and one for XC.

Office of Sport Development Grant – Next round. Discussion on what does HMBA require?

Suggestions were – Bus, Trailer, Wacker Packer, Power wheelbarrow, Solar Power, funds for roads and car park, build viewing platforms around the DH finish area.

Further discussion required.

Rocky Trail Entertainment – request to the club. RTE want to host an Enduro competition at Awaba in November. Resolved in the affirmative. Coleen to continue discussions with RTE.

Number Plates – Discussion on the club getting new plates. Coleen gave prices. Further discussion required with Clint. All approved in principle to go ahead and purchase. Discussion on colours and someone came up with a clever idea but I was distracted by Paula talking (again) and didn’t get it down!

Ride n Sweet –

Congrats to Paula, Alesha, Jason, Sarah, Coleen for your excellent work on the school holidays – hosting a very successful coaching day for kids at Awaba. The Club is proud to have such enthusiastic and motivated humans as members – well done.

Further Notices of Motion

Call for motions from the floor.

Next committee meeting 20th August 2018 – Club Macquarie, Booragul. All welcome. Arrive at 6.00pm for dinner and robust discussion about bikes, trails and personal exploits in the Club Macquarie Bistro prior to the 7.15 pm meeting. New members especially welcome to come and have an impact on the development of Mountain Biking in the Hunter region and surrounds.

Meeting concluded at 8.54 pm.

AGENDA ITEMS for 21st June 2018

Please email requests to Clint Musgrove – presidenthmba@gmail.com

Current items for discussion are:

- 1.** Awaba Grant application – Are we ready – decision pending
- 2.** Advertising other events on HMBA media.
- 3.** Defibrillator Insurance – not available through MTBA. Cabinet costs \$300 through Australian Red Cross.
- 4.** Volunteers – needed for both DH and XC.
- 5.** Club membership with Break the Boundary – cost \$160.00
Encourage all members to join (its free) – go to web page.
Talk to Andrew Hardy for further info.
- 6.** Booking system update